PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Thursday, January 18, 2018

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Nowak, Commissioner Huebsch and Commissioner Roberts.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meeting of Wednesday, January 10, 2018.

6630-SB-128 – Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Authority to Issue and Sell Up to \$1.0 Billion Aggregate Principal Amount of Debt Securities in One or More Issues

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6690-SB-143 – Application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for Authority to Issue and Sell up to \$1.2 Billion Aggregate Principal Amount of Intermediate-Term and/or Long-Term Debt Securities

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4178-TI-101 – Application of North American Local LLC to Expand its Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1060-WR-101 – Application of the Village of Chaseburg, Vernon County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3860-WR-102 – Application of the City of Montreal, Iron County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

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4500-WR-104 – Application of the City of Owen, Clark County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6475-WR-104 – Application of the Village of Wheeler, Dunn County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6680-TE-102 – Application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company for Approval of Proposed Day Ahead Market Pricing Tariff (draft order to reopen, notice, and request for comments)

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen, Notice and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6690-SB-141 – Application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for Authority to Implement a \$250,000,000 Five-Year Credit Facility (draft order to reopen, notice, and request for comments)

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen, Notice and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6690-SB-142 – Application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for Authority to Issue and Sell Short-Term Indebtedness in Amounts Not to Exceed \$400,000,000 (draft order to reopen, notice, and request for comments)

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen, Notice and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1-AC-250 – In the Matter of the Proposed Revision of Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 114 as Wisconsin State Electrical Code, Volume I

The Commission approved the Notice of Hearing and draft rules adopting the latest National Electrical Safety Code into Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 114 as Volume 1 of the Wisconsin State Electrical Code and directed that the required filings be made.

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4280-AF-100 - Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company Request for Deferral

The Commission denied the request filed on behalf of Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company for deferral of costs associated with the purchase of assets from the Centuria Municipal Electric Utility.

Commissioner Roberts dissented.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

5820-CE-104 – Application of Superior Water, Light and Power Company (SWL&P) to Construct 1.9 miles of Double-Circuit 115 kV Transmission Line, One-Half Mile of Single-Circuit 115 kV Transmission Line, and New Nemadji Switching Station, Located Near the Calumet Superior Refinery in the City of Superior, Douglas County, Wisconsin

The Commission discussed the application filed on behalf of Superior Water, Light and Power Company (SWL&P) to construct 1.9 miles of double-circuit 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line, one-half mile of single-circuit 115 kV transmission line, and a new Nemadji Switching Station, located near the Calumet Superior Refinery in the city of Superior, Douglas County, Wisconsin, and made preliminary determinations, including the following:

- 1. The Commission accepted all of the uncontested alternatives identified in the Final Decision Matrix.
- 2. The project complies with Wis. Stat. 196.491(3)(d)6. and would not unreasonably interfere with the orderly land use and development plan for the area involved.
- 3. The Commission authorized SWL&P's preferred route.
- 4. The Commission approved the following general conditions:
 - a. SWL&P shall be required to work with landowners, to the extent practicable, regarding the placement of facilities on their properties, including the location of off right-of-way (ROW) access roads.
 - b. SWL&P shall be required to first work with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to minimize invasive species within the ROW and to continue to put in place ongoing actions after the project is completed.

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- 5. The Commission has complied with the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 1.11 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 4
- 6. The Commission granted the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed project, subject to conditions.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

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